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Grown People can't get along  
without them.

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# THE VIEWS OF JUDGE POWERS

On the Fire and Police Bill  
Now Pending Before the  
Legislature.

## STRIKES SOME HARD BLOWS

Believes There Should Be Checks  
and Balances Everywhere.

Defends the Measure Introduced by  
Him Two Years Ago—Does Not  
Believe in Some of the Amend-  
ments Offered By Senator Suther-  
land and Effectively Answers  
the Personal References of Sen-  
ator Jones.

To The Herald:

The public interest in the fire and police bill introduced by myself in the legislature of 1894, and enacted into a law by that body is my excuse for this article. In criticizing the law some have indulged in criticisms of myself, and as I strongly believe in the principles of law, I desire to point out some inaccuracies. It was stated in an editorial in The Herald the other day that it is as hard to remove a man from his position under the present law as to convict a man of murder. That language was too strong; and yet arguments of like nature are being used by the advocates of absolute repeal and by those who are partisans of the Sutherland amendments. Senator Jones, who is in the senate, not as the choice of a nominating convention, but by the grace of a political committee which selected him to fill a vacancy, stated in a speech on Thursday that he introduced the law for the purpose of keeping Stanton in office, and that I am now ashamed of my child. Again, on Friday, he took occasion to drag my name into the debate and charged me with introducing the purpose in introducing the law.

### BECAUSE IT WAS RIGHT.

His statements are without foundation. I introduced the law and sustained it because I believed it right, and I believe it today. Had it been executed by its friends instead of its enemies it would have demonstrated its efficiency and it would not have been a source of expense. My course in presenting the law is justified, for the very men who fought it today advocating them. The press was opposed to my efforts in 1894, with the exception of the Deseret News, and today each one of our daily papers in Utah men like the fire and police departments must be kept non-partisan. Chief Pratt and Chief Devine and the Ogden officers opposed the passage of the law in 1894, and now they are active in sustaining its principles. Surely it cannot be said that they are animated by selfish motives.

### AGAINST POLITICAL PLUGGERS.

I did not introduce the law to retain any man in office. I introduced it so that no man could be retained in office forever. I introduced it so that Senator Jones would find it impossible to secure or retain political power by making the men in the two departments his "political pluggers." That the public may understand the law as it stands and the changes proposed by Senator Sutherland, I desire to review them.

The present law provides, first, for a bi-partisan board of four men having charge and control of the two departments, with power to employ a clerk at a salary not exceeding \$1,500 per year; that the board shall consist of the board and a chief and assistant; that no person shall be appointed to a position in either department without the concurrence of at least three members of the board; that the board shall adopt rules to govern the selection of men, which shall provide for ascertaining the habits, standing, and character of the candidates, and which may provide for competitive examinations.

### THE CHIEFS.

Second—That the chiefs of the two departments shall be appointed by the board during good behavior and that no officer or member of either department shall be removed, except for cause, on charges made and a hearing before the board. It is also provided that in all cities affected by the law, having a chief of police or fire, that the board shall adopt rules to govern the selection of men, which shall provide for ascertaining the habits, standing, and character of the candidates, and which may provide for competitive examinations.

### THE RULES.

Third—The law further provides for the printing and enforcement of the rules, and that after they take effect, all persons below the grade of assistant chief shall be selected in accordance therewith. The duties of the chiefs are next pointed out, and they are given power to suspend any subordinate, reporting the reasons therefor, and reporting to the board each month the condition of the department. It is provided that in the absence of the chiefs, that the assistants shall perform the duties of the office. That no member of the city council shall be a member of the board and that the board shall serve without compensation unless the council, by ordinance, otherwise provides.

Fourth—It provides that the examinations shall be public and free to citizens of the city. That "the examinations shall be practical in their character and shall relate to those matters which will fairly test the value and capacity of the candidates to discharge the duties of the positions which they seek," and that the board shall control the examinations.

Fifth—That either chief may be removed without trial, or charges pre-

ferred, when all four members of the board concur.

Sixth—That the city council shall regulate the salaries. That the assistant chief engineer and captain of police shall be nominated by their respective chiefs and confirmed by the board, holding office during good behavior.

Seventh—That in all new appointments and promotions preference shall be given to the men longest on the force.

Eighth—That the mayor may suspend either chief or his assistant, communicating his charges to the board, which shall determine whether the same are well founded.

Ninth—That no member of the force, except in the case of the chiefs, can be removed except upon a hearing and affirmative vote of three members of the board.

Tenth—That the board shall have charge of the alarm system; keep accurate books; furnish estimates and make reports to the city council. That in case of riot, the firemen shall aid the police and in case of fire the police shall aid the firemen; that the chief and assistant of the fire department shall examine the reports concerning combustible materials and cause the removal of the same.

Eleventh—That no member of the board nor of either department shall be a member of any partisan convention, nor attempt to control the political action of any employee nor collect nor pay money for political purposes.

Twelfth—The board is given power to appoint an examiner and it is made the duty of a committee of the city council to examine the books of the board and to report upon any appropriation asked for, and the council is empowered to provide a system of rewards and medals for honorable service and to pension those permanently injured in the service.

### AMENDMENTS NEEDED.

I think the law should be amended in the following particulars:

First—Give the chief of each department power to remove any subordinate, filling with the board his reasons therefor, and make such removal absolute, and members of the board should make an investigation of the removal, and in that event, the chief shall file charges against the man, service of the same to be made and a speedy hearing had, giving each side an opportunity to be heard. If three members of the board vote to sustain the charges, then the man shall be discharged, otherwise he shall be restored.

Second—Give the city council power to regulate the number of men and officers employed in each department and the salaries to be paid. In case of a change in number of the force, direct that the chief shall have power to discharge. The men having served the longest time, to be retained, if their records are equally good.

Third—Give the city council power to provide by ordinance, the number and grade of officers, with full power in its discretion, to abolish the office of captain of police and assistant chief of the fire department.

### APPOINTMENTS.

Fourth—Provide that no man shall be appointed to a position in either department, unless he has been previously publicly examined before the board. And that the examination of applicants shall be made twice a year and public notice given of the same.

Fifth—Provide that whenever three members of the board concur, the chief of either department may be removed, without trial, or charges preferred, when the cause therefor and without trial.

### REMOVALS.

Sixth—Provide that any member of the board may at any time be removed by a two-thirds vote of the city council.

Seventh—Provide that the members of the board shall serve without pay.

Eighth—Provide that no member of either department, nor of the board shall take any part in politics whatsoever, and shall not be a member nor officer of any political convention, club or committee.

Ninth—Provide that the chief of each department shall execute all lawful orders of the mayor.

### THE AMENDMENTS.

The amendments proposed by the Sutherland bill, are as follows:

First—That the salary of the clerk of the board shall not exceed \$600 per year.

Second—The captain of police and the assistant chief of the fire department, are legislated out of office. But, the board may re-appoint them, if they can be re-elected by the rules of the board and filled by appointment of the chiefs.

Third—The provision that appointments be made by the board is repealed and in lieu thereof it is provided that no person shall be appointed except with the approval of three members of the board.

Fourth—The provision that no man shall be removed or discharged except on charges made and a hearing had, is repealed.

Fifth—The chief of each department is given power to suspend or discharge any subordinate reporting his reasons therefor to the board.

Sixth—The board is given power to investigate the validity of such reasons or in any way direct or control either chief in this matter.

Seventh—All subordinates are to hold office during the pleasure of their respective chiefs.

Eighth—The city council cannot increase or decrease salaries without recommendation by the board.

Ninth—The power to suspend either chief for cause by the mayor, is conferred upon the board, and it can only be exercised by a vote of three members of the board.

Tenth—The city council is required, on the 1st day of February, to set apart for the use of the board, the amount of money that the board deems necessary to run the departments, and which shall take precedence over all other appropriations, except the payment of the interest on the bonded debt.

Eleventh—The power to appoint an examiner of the board is repealed and all provisions for competitive examinations are abrogated.

### UNDERLYING PRINCIPLES.

The underlying principles of civil service reform, that tenure of office shall not depend upon political changes nor upon the caprice or caprice of heads of departments. This is one weak spot in the Sutherland amendments.

The purpose of the original act, was to take the two departments out of politics. To establish a board that should act as an arbitrator and which would secure a better grade of men. It was not supposed that it would seek a petty salary, nor that it would hold meetings nearly every week and listen to every bit of department scandal.

The law has failed to attain all that I had hoped for, because at every step it has been fought by the politicians. When the members of the board were appointed, those who were not the friends of the law, were selected. They have seemed to constantly

# TWO MILLION DOLLAR BLAZE

A Sunday Attraction in the  
City of Brotherly  
Love.

## ONE OF THE FIERCEST FIRES

Were Wild Scenes in the La  
Fayette Hotel.

John W. Delano, of Salt Lake,  
Among the Guests Who Were  
Badly Frightened—Valuable Li-  
braries and Paintings Go Up in  
Smoke—Many Tenants Lose Per-  
sonal Property—Baptists Are  
Heavy Losers.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 2.—Chestnut street, above Broadway, was visited early this morning by one of the fiercest fires this city has known for years.

The fire broke out in the rear of the destroyed building. Among these were the building of Charles H. Hazeltine, Nos. 111 and 113 Chestnut street, and the adjoining five-story structure of the Baptist Publication society and the American Baptist Historical society, Nos. 123, were destroyed. The fire broke out in the rear of the destroyed building. Among these were the building of Charles H. Hazeltine, Nos. 111 and 113 Chestnut street, and the adjoining five-story structure of the Baptist Publication society and the American Baptist Historical society, Nos. 123, were destroyed. The fire broke out in the rear of the destroyed building. Among these were the building of Charles H. Hazeltine, Nos. 111 and 113 Chestnut street, and the adjoining five-story structure of the Baptist Publication society and the American Baptist Historical society, Nos. 123, were destroyed.

### WILL FORFEIT BAIL.

TORONTO, Ont., Feb. 2.—The brothers Dallas and Harry Hyams, who were released yesterday on \$1,000 cash bail, to appear before the police magistrate here on Tuesday, left at noon today for New York on a special train.

### GUESTS ESCAPE.

There were about 50 guests in the La Fayette hotel, which is in the rear of the destroyed building. Among these were Mayor King of Atlanta, Ga., and his family, and a number of other guests. The fire broke out in the rear of the destroyed building. Among these were the building of Charles H. Hazeltine, Nos. 111 and 113 Chestnut street, and the adjoining five-story structure of the Baptist Publication society and the American Baptist Historical society, Nos. 123, were destroyed.

### SMELED SMOKE.

It was shortly before 3 o'clock when Policemen Rice and Howard, while patrolling the streets, noticed a faint smell of smoke. They went to the La Fayette hotel, which is in the rear of the destroyed building. Among these were the building of Charles H. Hazeltine, Nos. 111 and 113 Chestnut street, and the adjoining five-story structure of the Baptist Publication society and the American Baptist Historical society, Nos. 123, were destroyed.

### BEGAN TO COLLAPSE.

The flames spread on the east to the Baptist Publication society. A general alarm was given, and the firemen directed most of their energies to preventing the destruction of the entire block, while the fire in the La Fayette hotel was being fought. The upper portion of the La Fayette hotel was ignited by sparks flying from the burning building. The fire broke out in the rear of the destroyed building. Among these were the building of Charles H. Hazeltine, Nos. 111 and 113 Chestnut street, and the adjoining five-story structure of the Baptist Publication society and the American Baptist Historical society, Nos. 123, were destroyed.

### PUFF FOR OLGA.

Olga Netherole was one of the calmest persons in the building. She saw most of her effects saved, and she and her family escaped. The fire broke out in the rear of the destroyed building. Among these were the building of Charles H. Hazeltine, Nos. 111 and 113 Chestnut street, and the adjoining five-story structure of the Baptist Publication society and the American Baptist Historical society, Nos. 123, were destroyed.

### THE LOSSES.

The La Fayette building was valued at \$200,000 and was fully insured. It was erected in 1888 and the first two floors were fire proof. The loss on paintings on the second floor is between \$30,000 and \$40,000, uninsured. Among those destroyed were two by H. G. Sturges, valued at \$20,000 each, and a Roberts-Fleury, valued at \$30,000. There were thirty-nine offices in the building, valued mainly by their contents. The loss on the first floor, lost a collection of books, valued at \$10,000, and a collection of books, valued at \$10,000. The loss on the second floor, lost a collection of books, valued at \$10,000, and a collection of books, valued at \$10,000. The loss on the third floor, lost a collection of books, valued at \$10,000, and a collection of books, valued at \$10,000. The loss on the fourth floor, lost a collection of books, valued at \$10,000, and a collection of books, valued at \$10,000. 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